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1. In early February 1955, the first group of Work Circles (Arbeitskreise) was transferred from ZAPT jurisdiction and responsibility to that of a Ministry. According to the decree establishing the Work Circles for research and technology, certain groups of Work Circles are to be supervised by ministries rather than by ZAPT. The first group transferred from ZAPT, in early February 1955, included all Work Circles and their subordinate Work Groups which deal with research and development on construction. They were transferred to the East German Ministry for Construction.
2. More transfers will take place in the immediate future. The East German State Planning Commission requested ZAPT to have all transfers completed by mid-March of 1955 in view of the fact that in March and April 1955, the first 1955 conventions of the Work Circles are scheduled to take place.

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